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Ms. Beryl Lipton

RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Tracking Number: 18-05965-F

Dear Ms. Lipton:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated March 13, 2018, which was referred to the Office of Public and Intergovernmental Affairs (OPIA) on May 31, 2018 and assigned tracking number 18-05965-F. Please refer to this number when making inquiries to OPIA about your request.

In your request you seek:

1. "Any and all talking points and similar memorandums, emails, and transcripts providing advice or direction on how to handle the media, media interviews and statements."

In addition, on March 15, 2019, this office requested clarification of your request for specific records that you seek:

Narrowing the search to specific media topic and guidance.

In accordance with VA's implementing regulations, found at 38 C.F.R. § 1.554(d)(4), the above requests administratively closed on April 15, 2019, as the requestor did not respond within the 30-day timeframe to allow for the FOIA to remain valid.

You may appeal this decision by writing to:

General Counsel (024) Department of Veterans Affairs 810 Vermont Ave, NW Washington, DC 20420

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This concludes the FOIA response to your request from this office. We appreciate your interest in the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

**Chief of Staff**